

# DISPLAY A JAPANESE TATAMI PICTURE

疊 kitaro

## JAPANESE STYLE BEAUTIFUL MATERIAL

Traditional Japanese-style rooms have floors of tatami mats. The mats are made of straw and rush and consist of a thick base and a soft, smooth surface that covers the base. The thick base is made of dried straw that is packed and sewn, and the smooth surface is made of woven rush. The tatami mats are approximately 180 by 90 centimeters (6 feet by 3 feet) with a thickness of 6 centimeters (2.4 inches), but the size of the tatami mats varies in the different regions across Japan. As tatami mats have a standardized size, they can be used to measure room sizes. As such, one mat is referred to as 1 jo (ichi-jo) and the size of a six-mat room, for example, is expressed as 6 jo (roku-jo). In addition to six-mat rooms, four and a half-mat rooms and eight-mat rooms are the most common in Japanese houses.



TATAMI Kitaro . . . mini tatami is only for placing small articles, but we wondered if we could make further use of it, and if we could make a decorative tatami mat expressing Japanese culture on the tatami mat surface. And that is why we made Tatami Kitaro.

The name "Kitaro" comes from the name of the founder of our company, and we have adopted the old Chinese character "疊" for tatami, with the intention of passing on the thoughts and traditions of the founder. The material is based on miniature tatami, so the color does not change and mold does not occur.

In general, it is difficult to print on something as uneven as a tatami mat, but the UV printer that we use can print finely even on something as uneven as a tatami mat by solidifying the ink with UV light.

Using this printer, we have created Tatami Kitaro, a tatami mat printed with Japanese culture that can only be found in Japan.

The size is 18cm x 30cm x 2cm. (Since each tatami mat is handmade by a craftsman, there are differences in colors and sizes.)

**Tatami mat surface** Resin material (Sekisui Biso)

**Core material** Wood board and Zetron (using scraps of regular tatami) **Tatami edging material** Polypropylene

**Handling instructions**

- If you rub the surface strongly or scratch it with your fingernails, the ink may peel off.
- If there is dust on the surface, please brush gently with a long bristled brush.
- The tatami mat surface is made of resin material, so it will not change color or become moldy.

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